

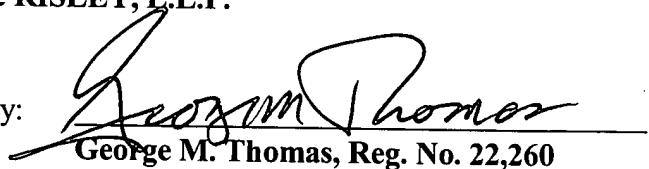
REMARKS

It is submitted that the claims of the application are in better form for initial examination by the Examiner.

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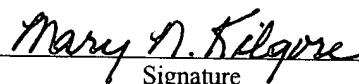


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